Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraphs identified below with the following amended paragraphs:

Page 7, line 17, second full paragraph (beginning with the words, "A packet data system 20 is illustrated in FIG. 1...")



A packet data system 20 is illustrated in FIG. 1 consistent with the protocols defined by the HAI specification. In the system 20, a base station 22 communicates with mobile stations 26 through 28. Each mobile station 26-28 is identified by an index value from 0 to N, N being the total number of mobile stations within the system 20. The packet data channel 24 is illustrated as a multiplexor to illustrate the switchable connection. The base station 22 may be referred to as an "access terminal network device" for providing connectivity to users, specifically for example, one user at a time. Each mobile station 26-28 may be referred to as an "access terminal". Note that an access terminal is typically connected to a computing device, such as a laptop computer, or a personal digital assistant. An access terminal may even be a cellular telephone with web access capabilities. Similarly, the packet data channel 24 may be referred to as an "access network" for providing data connectivity between a packet switched data network and the access terminal device. In one example, the base station 22 connects mobile stations 26-28 to the Internet.

Page 12, line 5, first paragraph (beginning with the words, "In one embodiment, the T/P ratio is included in the header of a packet of data . . . ")

In one embodiment, the T/P ratio is included in the header of a packet of data or may be punctured or inserted into the high rate packet data channel between packetized data traffic. As illustrated in FIG. 7, the T/P ratio information is transmitted prior to traffic and between packetized traffic data, wherein the information and provides the mobile station(s) 56-60 updated information regarding the available power as a result of changes in the low delay data channel. Such changes also impact the number of codes, such as Walsh codes, available for spreading the information signals. Less power available and fewer codes available results—The availability of less power and use of fewer codes result in a decreased data rate. For example, in one embodiment, the packetized data to a given user, or to all users if multiple packetized data links are available, is transmitted over channels corresponding to Walsh codes 16-19 in a CDMA system.